(i) A scheme to strengthen the infrastructure in the coastal States and UTs for patrolling and surveillance of the coastal areas to be implemented from the year 2005-06 over a period of 5 years at an estimated non-recurring cost of Rs. 400 crore and recurring cost of Rs. 151 crore spread over 5 years.

(ii) A scheme for establishing additional stations and acquiring Interceptor Boats for Coast Guard for strengthening the joint coastal patrolling off the coasts of Gujarat and Maharashtra. The scheme is to be implemented from the year 2005-06 over a period of 6 years with an estimated non-recurring cost of Rs. 342.56 crore and recurring cost of Rs. 25.95 crore per annum.

Kidnapping by Naxalites

4421. SHRI VIJAY J. DARDA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that a Major of Border Road Organisation, engaged in laying road network in Gadhciroli District in Maharashtra was kidnapped in the Naxal infested area on 18th January, 2005;

(b) if so, what is the status of the case now;

(c) how many such incidents of kidnapping by naxalite occurred during 2004 in the country and how many such kidnapped persons rescued; and

(d) whether such kidnapping incidents are happening due to any shortcomings in our security set up?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. CPML-Jana Shakti/ Kurra Rajanna extremists detained Major M.M. Swamy of the Border Roads Organization on 19.1.2005 in Gadchiroli district in Maharashtra when he had gone to negotiate for the release of one BRO Overseer who along with 2 drivers was kidnapped by naxalites on 18.1.05. Major Swamy was subsequently released. The State police has registered a case in this regard at Assaralli Police Station on 18.1.05.

(c) and (d) As per available information, 167 persons were abducted by the naxalites in certain parts of the country during 2004. 131 persons of them were subsequently released and remaining 36 persons were killed. Most of the kidnappings take place for extortion of money or release of naxal cadres from police captivity in exchange with the kidnapped persons. Adequate security measures are taken by the State having naxalite affected areas to prevent such incidents.

Doubling strength of Para Military forces on Nepal and Bhutan Borders

4422. SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA:
SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any proposal to double strength of the para-military forces deployed on India's border with Nepal and Bhutan in the next two years;

(b) if so, whether Government have held any talks with respective countries in this regard; and

(c) if so, the details worked out in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) to (c) In pursuance of recommendation of Group of Ministers on Reforming the National Security System, the Government have decided to deploy Sashastra Seema Bal (SSB) on Indo-Nepal and Indo-Bhutan borders. 20 additional battalions have also been sanctioned to SSB. Institutional mechanisms exist to review security-related issues, including cross-border issues, with neighbouring countries.

NGOs registered under FCRA, 1976

4423. SHRI AMAR SINGH:
SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of N.G.Os registered under Foreign Contribution